

Final MINUTES

Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners September 23, 2021

Held by Conference Call Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Joint OPEN Meeting Minutes

Board Members: Dr. Elizabeth Callahan, President; Dr. Karena Joung, Vice President; Dr. Christine Calvert, Ms. Lynne Chaput, Ms. Patricia Quimby, Dr. Peter Radue and Dr. James Reed. . Staff present: Executive Director Vanessa Orlando, Assistant Director Susan Husk, Licensing Administrator Tonya Kendrick, Assistant Attorney General Cynthia Spirt, Investigator Sarah Hultz, Inspectors Pegeen Morgan and Ellen James, and Administrative Specialist Britney Branch.

Dr. Callahan called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes. In a motion by Dr. Reed, seconded by Ms. Chaput, the minutes of the August 26, 2021 joint Board meeting were approved.

Veterinary License Applications Approvals. In a motion by Dr. Calvert, seconded by Dr. Callahan, the Board voted unanimously to approve applications for Dr. Adina Legum, Dr. Sloane Everett and Dr. Barrie Yallof.

Sanitation Reports. In a motion by Dr. Reed, seconded by Dr. Joung, the Board voted unanimously to accept the sanitation reports submitted by Susan Husk, Peggy Morgan and Ellen James.

CE Approval Requests: Previously approved CEs were asking for additional approvals: #524 asked for approval for military veterinarians through CY 2024; #520 asked for approval to include RVTs. In a motion by Dr. Callahan, seconded by Ms. Chaput, the Board voted unanimously to approved both requests.

Regulation Update. A final draft was reviewed and one last edit made.

Miscellaneous

- Dr. Reed updated the Board on a conference call sponsored by Del. Lehman, related to shortages in veterinary care.
- A communication-based complaints survey is being conducted by the University of Arizona. Dr. Callahan agreed to submit the survey

In a motion by Ms. Quimby, seconded b Ms. Chaput, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting to move into an administrative closed session to perform administrative functions outside the scope of the Open Meetings Act, in accordance with § 3-103(a)(1)(i) of the General Provisions Article. The administrative functions to be performed include discussion of the specific matters identified on the Board Agenda. In the alternative, I move to close the meeting pursuant to the following Section 3-305(b):

(7) To obtain advice of counsel;

(8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation;

(12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct;" and

(13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.